# **Midcap Equity**

March 31, 2021



### **FIRM INFORMATION**

- Founded in 1992
- 100% Employee-Owned
- 11 Total Employees
- Headquarters in Newport Beach, CA

#### **INVESTMENT TEAM**

Senior team has an average of 35 years investment experience.

**Gregory Lai, CFA** Lead Portfolio Mgr & CEO B.S. (UCLA); M.B.A. (UCI)

**Iman Movahed** Sr. Portfolio Manager B.A. (UCLA), M.A. (Boston University) M.B.A. (UCLA)

**Michael Petrino** Sr. Portfolio Manager B.A. (Amherst) M.B.A. (University of Chicago)

### **INVESTMENT APPROACH**

- Stocks are ranked based on a multi-factor model that includes valuation, improving fundamentals, and momentum.
- Stocks ranked in the top quartile are selected from within 15 Affinity-defined sectors
- Control for risk factors relative to the benchmark, including sector neutrality, market capitalization, etc.
- Alpha is generated almost entirely from stock selection.

# PERFORMANCE BY PERIOD 87.0\_85.8 73.6 15.4 15.2 14.0 13.3 14.9 11.9 11.2 14.7 11.1 10.4 12.5 8.8 8.1 Q1'21 1-Year 3-Year Inception Gross Net Russell Midcap Index

Past performance is not indicative of future results. Periods less than year are not annualized. Performance inception date is 8/31/2010. All results are dollar denominated. Returns include the reinvestment of dividends and income. This information is supplement to the Composite Disclosures on the back. Individual results may vary.

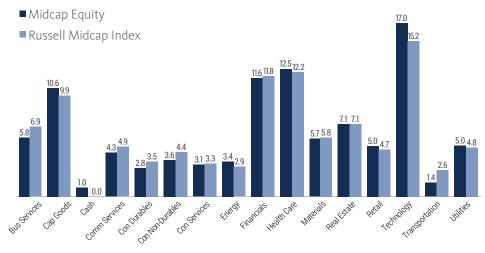
| CHARACTERISTICS                 |          |       |
|---------------------------------|----------|-------|
| Portfolio Characteristics       | Strategy | Index |
| 1-Yr Forward P/E (x)            | 14.5     | 23.5  |
| Proj 5-Yr EPS Growth Rate (%)   | 12.5     | 13.6  |
| Earnings Est: % Rising          | 83.1     | 61.9  |
| Price / Book (x)                | 3.0      | 3.6   |
| Dividend Yield (%)              | 1.7      | 1.4   |
| Average Market Cap (\$B)        | 20.0     | 21.5  |
| Active Share (%)                | 90.0     | _     |
| 5-Year Avg Turnover (%)         | 48.5     | _     |
| Number of Securities            | 59       | 829   |
| Risk Characteristics (3-Yr Ann) | Strategy | Index |
| Std Dev                         | 27.0     | 22.0  |
| Sharpe Ratio                    | 0.4      | 0.7   |
| Tracking Error (%)              | 7.0      | _     |

Source: Thomson Reuter Analytics, Morningstar Direct & Affinity Investment Advisors. This information is supplemental to the Composite Disclosures on the back.

#### **TOP 10 HOLDINGS** Horizon Therapeutics 3.1% 3.1% United Rentals Molina Healthcare 2.9% ΗP 2.3% 2.3% **CBRE Group** MKS Instruments 2.3% Timken 2.2% Lab Corp of America 2.2% Celanese 2.2% Jabil 2.1%

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# **MIDCAP EQUITY SECTOR PROFILE**



Data may not equal 100% due to rounding.

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## **IMPORTANT DISCLOSURES**

### **Risk Considerations**

There is no assurance that a separately managed account will achieve its investment objective. Separately managed accounts are subject to market risk, which is the possibility that the market values of securities owned will decline and that the value of the shares may therefore be less than what you paid for them. Accordingly, you can lose money investing in a separately managed account. Please be aware that this strategy may be subject to certain additional risks.

**Equity.** In general equity securities' values also fluctuate in response to activities specific to a company.

**Concentration.** The strategy may also focus its investments on certain industries and/or sectors, thereby increasing its vulnerability to any single industry/sector or regulatory development. As a result, the strategy's returns may be considerably more volatile.

There is no guarantee that any investment strategy will work under all market conditions, and each investor should evaluate their ability to invest for the long-term, especially during periods of downturn in the market. A separately managed account may not be suitable for all investors. Please consider the investment objectives,

risks and fees of the strategy carefully before investing. A minimum asset level is required. For important information about the investment manager, please refer to Form ADV Part 2.

Separate accounts managed according to the Strategy include a number of securities and will not necessarily track the performance of any index. This material does not constitute an offer to buy or sell any financial instrument or to participate in any trading strategy.

# **COMPOSITE DISCLOSURES**

| Year | Gross<br>Composite<br>Return (%) | Net<br>Composite<br>Return (%) | Russell<br>Midcap<br>Index Return<br>(%) | Composite<br>3 yr. Ex-Post<br>Standard<br>Deviation (%) | Russell<br>Midcap<br>3 yr. Ex-Post<br>Standard<br>Deviation (%) | Weighted<br>Average<br>Standard<br>Deviation (%) | Number of<br>Accounts | Market Value<br>(\$M) | Firm Assets<br>(\$M) |
|------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|---|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 2020 | 4.01                             | 3.33                           | 17.09                                    | 26.87   | 22.13   | N/A²   | < 5                   | < 1                   | 1,066                |
| 2019 | 31.42                            | 30.58                          | 30.55                                    | 17.22   | 13.08   | N/A²   | < 5                   | < 1                   | 337                  |
| 2018 | (18.49)                          | (19.02)                        | (9.06)                                   | 13.98   | 12.15   | $N/A^2$  | < 5                   | 3                     | 673                  |
| 2017 | 23.53                            | 22.74                          | 18.49                                    | 11.50   | 10.51   | 0.2  | 6                     | 109                   | 978                  |
| 2016 | 7.41                             | 6.72                           | 13.82                                    | 12.89   | 11.72   | 0.1  | 7                     | 173                   | 1,235                |
| 2015 | (4.89)                           | (5.51)                         | (2.45)                                   | 12.88   | 11.00   | N/A²   | 7                     | 182                   | 1,233                |
| 2014 | 15.65                            | 14.91                          | 13.23                                    | 12.26   | 10.29   | N/A <sup>2</sup>                                 | 5                     | 208                   | 1,109                |
| 2013 | 47.64                            | 46.71                          | 34.76                                    | 15.92   | 14.23   | N/A <sup>2</sup>                                 | < 5                   | 2                     | 840                  |
| 2012 | 13.74                            | 13.01                          | 17.27                                    | N/A <sup>1</sup>  | N/A <sup>1</sup>  | N/A <sup>2</sup>                                 | < 5                   | 2                     | 896                  |
| 2011 | 0.18                             | -0.47                          | -1.61                                    | N/A¹  | N/A¹  | N/A <sup>2</sup>                                 | < 5                   | 2                     | 791                  |

 $N/A^1\,$  - The three-year annualized ex-post standard deviation of the composite and/or benchmark is not presented because 36 monthly returns are not available.  $N/A^2$  - Information is not statistically meaningful due to an insufficient number of portfolios in the composite for the entire year.

The Midcap Equity Composite contains fully discretionary midcap equity accounts. The composite strategy seeks superior returns relative to the Russell Midcap Index by employing a time-tested quantitative strategy with a fundamental overlay. The creation date of this composite was November 30, 2010.

Affinity claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS standards. Affinity has been independently verified for the period July 1, 1992, through December 31, 1992, by BDO Seidman and the periods January 1, 1993, through April 30, 2007 and November 1, 2010 through December 31, 2016 by Ashland Partners & Company LLP. For the period January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2019 Affinity has been independently verified by ACA Performance Services, LLC. Invesco has been independently verified for the period August 31, 2010 through October 31, 2010 by Ernst & Young LLP.

Verification assesses whether (1) the firm has complied with all the composite construction requirements of the GIPS standards on a firm-wide basis and (2) the firm's policies and procedures are designed to calculate and present performance in compliance with the GIPS standards. The Midcap Equity composite has been examined for the period November 1, 2010 through December 31, 2019. The firm has complied with the portability requirements of the GIPS standards for the Midcap Equity Composite for the period from September 1, 2010 to October 31, 2010. The verification and performance examination reports are available upon request.

Affinity Investment Advisors, LLC is a registered investment adviser as defined by the 40 Act. The firm's list of composite descriptions is available upon request.

Results are based on fully discretionary accounts under management, including those accounts no longer with the firm. Past performance is not indicative of future results. As of December 31, 2019, 30% of the composite is represented by non-management fee paying accounts.

The U.S. Dollar is the currency used to express performance. Returns include the reinvestment of all income. Gross returns are stated gross of all fees and net of transaction costs. Net of fee performance was calculated using the product's standard annual fee of

0.65% applied monthly for all periods shown. The annual composite dispersion presented is an asset-weighted standard deviation calculated for the constituents in the composite managed for the entire calendar year. Policies for valuing portfolios, calculating performance and preparing compliance presentations are available upon request.

The current management fee schedule for the Midcap Equity product is as follows:

0.65% on the first \$5,000,000

0.60% on the next \$20,000,000 0.50% on the next \$25,000,000

0.45% on the next \$50,000,000

0.40% on excess over \$100,000,000